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1. ADLERSHOF (N 53/Z 94), Fuel Depot

The ADLERSHOF fuel depot was still operated by the "Derunapht".  
Ten railroad tank cars and [REDACTED] 25X1A

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2. BAD SAAROW (N 53/V 32) area, Supply Dump

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A supply dump, heavily guarded by Soviet troops, was located  
between BAD SAAROW and SAAROW-PIESKOW (N 53/V 40). [REDACTED]

Piles of barrels and piles of 400 to 500 boxes (2 1/2 x 1 1/2 feet)  
were observed in the dump area.

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3. BAD FREIENTALDE (N 53/V 28), Fuel Dump

A fuel dump was located opposite the former Kradschuetzen  
Kaserne on the southwestern exit road of BAD FREIENTALDE.  
The dump area extended about 3,300 feet along the road to  
TIEFENEGGE (N 53/V 17).

Only forty 50-gallon barrels were seen in the dump area.  
No underground installations were observed from the road.

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4. BRITZ (N 53/V 09), former Fuel Dump

The fuel dump near BRITZ was vacant but guarded.

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2. DANNENWALDE (N 54/U 61), Ammunition Depot

About 40 trucks were hauling ammunition from the DANNENWALDE ammunition depot to a new ammunition dump east of TORNO" (N 54/U 71) almost every night from 10 to 16 September 1949. The new dump was allegedly supplying the combat units in the TORNO" area.

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6. ERFURT-MARBACH (N 51/J 27), Grain Depot (see Annex 1)

About 200 field kitchens were standing in the area of the ERFURT-MARBACH silos.

Grain was unloaded from 21 boxcars. Workmen stated that the five-story silos of the depot were being filled with several types of grain, primarily wheat and rye.

A guard detail of 40 or 50 troops was quartered in the cantonment building of the depot.

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7. FAIKENHAGEN (N 53/V 44), Ammunition Depot

About 140 German workers and 600 Soviets were employed in the FAIKENHAGEN ammunition depot.

The work force had been about doubled in January 1949. It was said that 80 and 120-mm mortar shells have been finished in the depot since about July 1948.

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8. FAIKENSEE (N 53/Z 65), Fuel Depot on Sturmstrasse

The following activities were observed in the fuel depot on Sturmstrasse, FAIKENSEE, between 17 August and 8 September 1949:

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28 August Three railroad tank cars were standing on a track behind the depot.

29 August Several trucks were filled with fuel from two railroad tank cars standing on a track behind the depot. The truck drivers wore blue epaulets.

30 August a. One railroad tank car was emptied into an underground fuel container.

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left towards SCHONWALDE. Most of the tank trucks carried three fuel containers each; One transverse and two parallel to the longitudinal axis of the trucks.

A convoy of about 40 tank trucks was twice filled with fuel. The convoy came from, and returned in the direction of SCHONWALDE.

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8 September One railroad tank car was emptied.

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9. FUERSTENBERG (N 54/U 52) Area, Ammunition Depot

a. An ammunition dump consisting of bunkers was located in the woods north of Stechlin Lake, between Grosser Gietzen Lake and Peetsch Lake. About 40 bunkers, equipped with electric light and telephones, were observed in the dump. The dump was said to have been recently enlarged.

b. Trucks, coming from the direction of FUERSTENBERG (N 54/U 52) via STEINFORDE (N 54/U 52), arrived in the dump almost every night during the second half of July 1949. Upon completion of the trucking operations security measures were considerably intensified.

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10. HERZBERG (N 52/E 75), Fuel Dump

A large fuel and oil dump was under construction near the railroad station of HERZBERG. Several large filling stations of HERZBERG were already used by the Soviet Army.

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11. HUNDSHUEBEL (N 51/E 42), Ammunition Dump

The construction of an ammunition bunker, about 35 by 100 feet, north of the HUNDSHUEBEL-SCHFORLAU (N 51/E 42) road, was completed. Only finishing work on the electrical wiring was being done.

The bunker was equipped with shelves. A loading ramp and stairs were on the eastern side of the bunker.

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12. JUETERBOG (N 52/E 69), Ammunition Depot

a. Stocks of former German ammunition in the JUETERBOG-ALTES LAGER ammunition depot were assorted, cleaned and packed for Soviet use. The work was done by German laborers of both sexes, under strict Soviet surveillance. The area of the ammunition depot was guarded by Soviet and German police.

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[REDACTED] mounting a light machine gun, was seen proceeding from the airfield to the ammunition depot twice a day, allegedly conveying orders.

b. The following officers of the unit stationed at the ammunition depot were identified:

Capt. PISHIYEV  
Capt. ARTIYOMOV  
1st Lt. VOIKOV (physician)  
2d Lt. NIKOV (physician)

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a. A main medical depot of the Soviet forces in the Soviet Zone of Germany was located in the former cooperative stores' building at 19-21 Rittergutstrasse, BERLIN-LICHTENBERG. One hundred and fifty German workers were employed there.

A branch depot was located in the former German Medical Main Depot on Herzbergstrasse but it was to be dissolved. The 25X1B

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b. Medical units from all parts of the Soviet Zone of Germany drew supply from the LICHTENBERG main medical depot. Medical instruments were repaired and ground in a workshop.

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14. Area North of NEUSTRELITZ (N 54/U 54), Fuel Dumps

a. A fuel dump was located on Penlinerstrasse, north of NEUSTRELITZ. Only fuel barrels were seen in the dump, which was said to be exclusively supplying troops in the NEUSTRELITZ military post.

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b. Another dump of fuel barrels was located in the "Tannenhof". The dump allegedly supplied fuel for the tanks and motor vehicles in the training area.

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15. OSCHATZ (N 52/E 71), Fuel Depot

A large Soviet fuel depot with railroad spur track was located near the "Kriebseh" Biscuit Plant and the railroad line east of OSCHATZ.

The depot area was heavily guarded and brightly illuminated at night by four spotlights. Fuel was shipped to the depot by rail and truck from the BOEHLEN (N 52/E 29) hydrogenation plant. It was either put in barrels or underground containers.

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16. PLAUEN (N 51/K 12), Fuel Dump

A Soviet fuel dump was being constructed near the Lower Railroad Station of PLAUEN. Large piles of earth indicated the installation of underground containers.

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17. PLAUEN-NEUENDORF (N 51/K 01), Ammunition Dump

An ammunition dump has recently been under construction at the former German drill ground near PLAUEN-NEUENDORF. Fourteen trucks loaded with ammunition were seen proceeding to the drill ground during the night of 14 September 1949. The drill ground was strictly off limits.

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18. POTSDAM (N 53/E 63)-BORNSTEDTER FELD, Supply Dumps (see Annex 2)

The following supply dumps were located on the BORNSTEDTER FELD drill ground near POTSDAM:

a. "Angermanns Remise" in the eastern section of the drill ground: Five large-semi-underground cantonment buildings and one open shed on a 650 x 200-foot area. Fuel barrels were stored in the sheds. The dump area was surrounded by wire entanglements and 14 spotlight-masts.

b. About 650 feet northwest of "Angermanns Remise": Similar supply dump with seven earth bunkers.

c. "Vierecks Remise" in the northern section of the drill ground: Cantonment of six wooden buildings on a 650 x 500-foot area. The dump was surrounded by a wire entanglement and spotlight-masts.

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19. ROTHENSTEIN (M 51/J 75), Ammunition Depot

Tank and rifle ammunition, hand grenades and demolition charges had been unloaded from several trains and shipped to the underground ammunition depot of ROTHENSTEIN for several days, mostly at night. The depot entrances were guarded by three Soviet Zone police double sentries. The depot area was illuminated at night by 12 spotlights.

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20. SASSWITZ (N 55/P 87)-Harbor, Construction of Fuel Containers

Three fuel containers, each about 55 feet in diameter, were being constructed in the harbor of SASSWITZ. One of the containers had been completed and was concreted into the ground for 8 or 9 feet and projected over the surface about 15 feet.

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21. SCHWANTE (N 53/Z 67), Abandoned Ammunition Depot

Local residents reported that the dump in the woods had been vacated in the early summer of 1949. Several empty earth bunkers and a large wooden shed with boarded-up doors and windows were observed in the dump area.

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22. SCHWARZA (M 51/J 53), Abandoned Ammunition Dump

The ammunition dump in the "Schwarzaer Hoehle", south of SCHWARZA, had been vacated and was not guarded. The dump had supplied ammunition to the SAALFELD (M 51/J 53) and DUDOLSTADT (M 51/J 54) military posts.

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23. SCHTERIN (M 54/T 46), Fuel Dump

Six fuel bunkers were being constructed on the "Grosser Dresch" training grounds near SCHTERIN. Three red hydrants were located between the bunkers.

Numerous 50-gallon barrels were seen at the building site.

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24. VELTEN (N 53/Z 66), Fuel Depot

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a. A fuel depot of three aboveground and 6 to 8 underground fuel tanks (each 35 by 50 feet) was observed in the harbor area of VELTEN.

A civilian worker stated that the fuel depot was used by all units stationed in this area. Fuel shipments arrived by barges. The draining and issuance of fuel took place preferably at night.

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The strict security measures prevented an approach to the depot.

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25. "ULKO" (N 53/Z 49), Ammunition Depot

Ammunition has been finished in the "ULKO" (N 53/Z 49) ammunition depot since July 1948. The work force of the depot numbered about 400, including 350 Soviets.

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Comment:

a. General

The report summarizes information on Soviet supply installations in the Soviet Zone of Germany, obtained between mid-August and mid-September 1949. It does not indicate any essential changes in the field of military supply matters.

b. Details

(1) BERLIN-ADLERSHOF

The fuel depot was confirmed as being run by the "Derunapht". The continuous restocking of the depot with fuel arriving by rail and the issuance of fuel to numerous units (according to other sources) corroborate the assumption that the ADLERSHOF depot is of large size.

(2) BAD SAGROW

The dump was confirmed to be of small size. The observed truck belonged to a Soviet Air Force unit.

(3) BAD FRIEDENWALDE

Apparently a dump of the military post; reported for the first time.

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(4) BRITZ

Confirmed previous information that the dump was vacated and abandoned.

(5) DANKENFALDE

Stocks of the DANKENFALDE ammunition depot were possibly shipped to TORNO to establish a branch ammunition dump.

(6) ERFURT-MARBACH

The MARBACH depot, a former German Army ration supply depot, had been reconstructed and restocked by the Soviets. A report of late August 1949 (C-2) stated that 25,000 tons of grain and 26,000 tons of other foods were stocked there.

The report confirms the stocking up of the depot which is considered one of the largest ration supply depots in the Soviet Zone of Germany.

(7) FALKENHAGEN (about 7 miles northwest of FRANKFURT/Oder)

About 3 miles southeast of FALKENHAGEN, there was a former German explosives plant, whose above-ground installations had been removed in the summer of 1948. The underground installations of the plant were improved and, in late August 1948, reported ready to receive stocks for the SIA in FRANKFURT/Oder. The information that mortar ammunition is being finished there seems to be correct.

(8) FALKENSEE

The FALKENSEE fuel depot was repeatedly confirmed. Incoming and outgoing shipments of fuel, the latter being destined for Soviet Army and Air Force units, were continuously observed. The tank truck convoys observed on 3 and 4 September 1949 belonged to the Soviet Air Force. [REDACTED] observed in the depot had numbers [REDACTED] 1st Mecz Div which is stationed in this area. The depot's capacity appears to be larger than previously assumed. It is now estimated at about 2,000 cubic meters.

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(9) FURCHENBERG

The ammunition dump has been known since February 1949. The numerous incoming shipments of ammunition observed since that time and the intensified security measures indicate that the dump is of importance. It is considered to be of medium size with a capacity of about 5,000 tons.

(10) HERZBERG

Reported for the first time.

(11) HUNDSHUEBEL

Reported for the first time.

(12) JUETERBOG

The information confirms previous reports.

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(13) BERLIN-LICHTENBERG

Reported for the first time. The observed motor vehicles belong to various military units (Soviet Army units and headquarters, GHQ units, antiaircraft artillery units and Soviet Air Force units) and to GMA offices in the BERLIN area.

It can be assumed that the LICHTENBERG depot supplies, at least, all units in the BERLIN area.

(14) NEUSTADTLITZ

a. Previously known. The observed motor vehicles belong to the 9th Gas Tank Div and Rear Services units.

b. Reported for the first time; probably a filling station for units holding field exercises in that area.

(15) OSCHATZ

Reported for the first time. Apparently a storage depot which is filled with fuel exceeding the storage capacity of the BOMELLEN hydrogenation plant.

(16) PLAUEN

Reported for the first time; apparently a military post dump.

(17) PLAUEN-NEUENDORF

Reported for the first time; apparently a military post dump.

(18) POTSDAM

Confirms previously known and presumably small ammunition and fuel dumps in various sections of the BORNSTEDTER FELD.

(19) ROTHENSTEIN

After a large percentage of the ammunition stored in ROTHENSTEIN (probably former German ammunition) was reportedly shipped away in June 1949, the depot was being stocked with Soviet Army ammunition.

(20) SASSNITZ

The information proves that, as in ROSTOCK, the Soviets are preparing for the handling of incoming or outgoing fuel shipments by sea ports, in order to ease the traffic burden on the railroad lines to be expected in case of an emergency.

(21) SCHWANTE

Reported for the first time; apparently a military post dump.

(22) SCHWARZA

The dump was reported vacated in February 1948 but was later used.

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(23) SCHIERIN

Reported for the first time; apparently a small dump to supply exercising units.

The observed motor vehicles belonged to 10 units of the Third Shock Army and to the SMA.

(24) VELTEN

The depot in the harbor was reported for the first time; possibly a large transshipment depot (distributing point) which is assumed to be located near the VELTEN Railroad station. Effort is being made to secure further information. The observed motor vehicles belonged to various military units (Soviet Army and Air Force units and headquarters) and to SMA offices.

(25) "ULKOW"

Ammunition is known to be finished in the "ULKOW" ammunition depot.

- 2 Annexes: 1. Soviet Ration Supply Depot in ERFURT-MARRACH  
2. Soviet Supply Dumps on BOENSTEDTER FELD near POTSDAM.

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